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1. Japanese Patent Application KOKAI Publication No. 10-010200 - An English language abstract of this document is enclosed.

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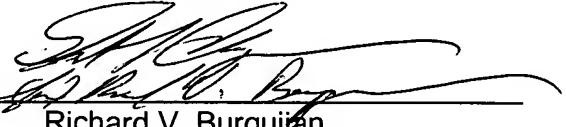
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## **FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

Examiner Initials	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Foreign Patent Document Country Code <sup>3</sup> Number <sup>4</sup> Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	Translation <sup>6</sup>
		JP 10-010200	01-16-1998	NAKAO et al.		ABSTRACT
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## **NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS**

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